

**TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN MEETING
September 10, 2007
CUSHING COMMUNITY CENTER**

Selectmen Present: Alton Grover, Peter Haviland, Randolph Robbins, Kim Young, and Robert Worthing.

Staff Present: Town Clerk Lisa Young

Board approved Warrant #34 & #35

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM.

Peter Haviland motioned, Kim Young seconded, to approve the August 27, 2007 minutes as written. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Changes to the Agenda

Amy Robinson and Doug Ray, representing the Recreation Department, updated the Board on the accomplishments that the department has made at the ball field. They also informed the Board that they have a pile of metal in the bushes near the ball field. They asked if someone could remove it before someone gets hurt. Chairman Alton Grover will contact Bruce Prior.

Selectman Robert Worthing motioned, Randy Robbins seconded, that the Board accept the terms of the Tax Anticipation Note from Damariscotta Bank as proposed by bond counsel. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Unfinished Business

Update on school bus signal- Chairman Alton Grover informed the Board that the company he had contacted has been so busy that they have not had time to get to Cushing. Selectman Peter Haviland suggested that if we had S.A.D. #50 contact them that they may be quicker in having someone come and look at the site. Chairman Grover will contact S.A.D. #50 Finance Director John Spear. Alton will also check with the Department of Transportation for approval.

New Business

Shoreland Zone Ordinance-Planning Board Chairman Dan Remian, & Chairman of Ordinance Committee Marilyn Barnum- Marilyn Barnum, Chairman of the Ordinance Committee, asked the Board for direction in regard to working on the Shoreland Zone Ordinance. The new State of Maine guidelines must be completed by

2008. She reported that if the Planning Board and Ordinance Committee were combined it would make a 12 member group which would be an unwieldy group. Marilyn had spoken with Chairman of the Planning Board Dan Remian, who could not make the meeting tonight, and they agreed that it would be a good idea for the Planning Board to draft the new changes and then give the drafted copy to the Ordinance Committee to review before it is presented to the Selectmen if the Selectmen approve of this arrangement. The Board of Selectmen approved having the Planning Board draft the new changes and then present it to the Ordinance Committee for review.

Marilyn asked the Board if there were any ordinances that they would like the Ordinance Committee to work on at this time. She read from the list that she had given them back in June, which brought up a discussion on making sure that the committee devotes time working on issues that have a general value to the entire town. Chairman Alton Grover stated that at a previous meeting a resident felt that in order for any ordinance to be voted on at town meeting or by secret ballot it should have a signed petition from residents to prevent special interest groups from pushing ordinances in. The Board did not have any recommendations for the committee to work on, but after much discussion on the proposed "two-thirds" Ordinance, Selectman Peter Haviland motioned, Kim Young seconded, that the board agrees that the proposed ordinance to require a 2/3 vote on all land use ordinances not be considered by the Ordinance Committee. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Chairman Alton Grover announced that the fall meeting for the Mid-Coast Regional Planning Commission will be held in Belfast at the Hutchinson Center on October 17th. Anyone interested in attending can let Lisa know.

Selectman Kim Young motioned, Alton Grover seconded, to adjourn at 7:28 PM. The motion passed.

Board Approved 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Young
Recording Secretary
Town Clerk